# Minutes of The Kelly AFB Restoration Advisory Board Meeting 21 August 1995

The eighth meeting of the Kelly Air Force Base Restoration Board (RAB) took place at 6:00 p.m. at Price Elementary School.

The RAB meeting agenda is Attachment 1.

These minutes follow the progression of topics as the meeting took place and correspond to similarly numbered agenda topics.

#### Welcome

Welcome was extended to RAB members and all visitors by Mr. Larry Bailey.

1. Review and discussion of draft 12 June meeting minutes.

There was no discussion to previous minutes.

2. Approval of June 12 meeting minutes.

Previous meeting minutes were approved with no corrections.

- 3. Membership Changes
- a. Application from Mr. Solis Sr.
- b. Mr. Rice made a motion seconded by Mr. Quintanilla, to accept Mr. Juan Solis Sr. as a RAB member. Vote of the RAII then approved Mr. Solis Sr. as a new member.

Two other community members (Maria Chavarria and Tom Culbertson) were identified and expressed interest in joining the board. Each was given an application for membership for consideration at a later meeting.

## Resignation/Removal

Mr. Richard Hirsch, through contact with the RAB installation co-chair, has requested his removal from membership. A motion to accept Mr. Hirsch's verbal resignation was made by Mr. Quintanilla and seconded by Mr. Sanchez. Removal was then approved by the RAB.

**Groundwater Committee** 

Mr. Rice presented the findings of his review of Kelly's groundwater modeling data (see Attachment 2). He identified several errors in the data used to develop model input parameters and believed, as a result of his finding these errors, the modeling conducted to assist in identifying the proposed cleanup alternatives could be in question. Mr. Rice then recommended that a third party expert be brought in to review the modeling information.

## a. Committee Reports

Mr. Trevino then commented on Mr. Rice's findings and agreed that mistakes had been made in tabulation of data in the Remedial Investigation phase of the cleanup program, but that the data had been corrected in the Feasibility Study phase of the program. He reiterated that the information had been corrected before being used in the modeling for the groundwater FSs..

Mr. Quintanilla next made a motion to allow the Remedial Design work to continue, but agreed with Mr. Rice that an independent expert should be hired to review the modeling efforts. Mr.

Sanchez seconded his motion. Discussion then occurred among RAB members and a vote was held. The motion to hire an independent expert failed 7 to 6. Mr. Bailey assured Mr. Rice that as the Remedial Design work is completed that the modeling data is being reviewed by a different contractor to ensure the data is correct and the modeling accurate.

## **b.** Technical Assistance Grants

Due to the absence of Mr. Ayala, this presentation will be at the next RAB meeting.

## c. Newsletter

Mr. Sanchez presented a report stating the Newsletter committee met and decided the following:

The RAB would edit the newsletter prior to mail out.

Information would be solicited from the community.

Richard Garcia, TNRCC Regional Director, would be asked to make occasional written contributions as would the Director of the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District.

Kelly Air Force Base Public Affairs will be presenting a sample newsletter at the next RAB meeting.

Concerns discussed were frequency, distribution, and a name for the newsletter. No decisions were made on these concerns. Mr. Sanchez suggested comments be discussed at the next RAB meeting.

#### d. Charter revision

Mr. Quintanilla presented the Charter committee report (Attachment 3). Each section was presented with a vote to accept or decline the committees' recommendations. In addition, other changes proposed by Mr. Quintanilla are in Attachment 4. Each amended change was accepted by majority vote with these exceptions:

Section I.A.: The RAB accepted the committee's changes but declined Mr. Quintanilla's suggested changes.

Section IV.A.: The sentence will read "Individual community Members must reside or work in Bexar County."

Section IV.D.: In the first sentence after writing add "or by notifying" and delete "to".

Section IV.I.b.: The last sentence will replace ... and Community Co-Chair with "designated representative speaking". In addition the sentence will be added "And if requested by either party, be allowed an audience with the installation Commander of SA/ALC."

Section V.A.: Mr. Quintanilla presented his suggested amendment. After much discussion, the RAB committee approved the committee's recommendations and declined Mr. Quintanilla's proposed change. (Page'4, Attachment 3). Mr. Hagelthorn reminded the committee that the Charter provides for a non-efficient member or co-chair to be removed from the RAB.

Section V.D.: The RAB accepted the committee's changes but declined Mr. Quintanilla's proposed change. The RAB agreed to add after *quarterly*, "at formally announced times and locations" and the sentence "The minimum number of members required to be present before the

Board can transact business is 50 percent of the active membership." will be added to the end of this paragraph.

Section V.K.: After explanation from Adrienne Williams and much discussion, the RAB accepted the committee's changes with additions but declined Mr. Quintanilla's proposed change. The additions are in the sentence beginning *In addition* change a *listing of any releasers or* to "reportable". After the word *incident* in line 9, add the sentence "The RAB will be notified of all reportable spills prior to their review at the meeting." Mr. Quintanilla requested that the record show he believes the RAB voted against the law.

Due to the lateness of the hour, the remaining agenda was tabled until the next meeting.

Mr. Bailey requested five minutes to allow Mr. Trevino to give a brief status on Proposed Plans for soils in Zones 1, 2, and 3, and Mr. Posnick from the TNRCC to identify an important concern currently pending in Congress regarding DOD funding for state agencies.

Mr. Trevino indicated that the Soils Proposed Plans were included in the packages everyone had received at the beginning of the meeting. He asked each member to review the plans before the next RAB meeting. He briefed that the public meeting regarding soils is projected to take place within the next 60 days.

Mr. Posnick expressed concern to the RAB that Congress is currently looking at budget cuts for environmental programs. Currently a large portion of the regulatory staff in the TNRCC which is responsible for the review and oversight of the DOD cleanup program is funded through an agreement (DSMOA) that is being considered for elimination. If Congress stops the funding for this DSMOA program, the states' ability to oversee the DOD cleanup programs will be drastically reduced. He solicited support of both the RAB and its members to make contact with their congressmen to keep this funding from being dropped. Mr. Hagelthorn and Mr. Quintanilla, volunteered their support in addressing this issue.

The next RAB meeting will be Monday, 25 September, 6:00 p.m. at Price Elementary School. The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Attachment 1: Groundwater Review

Attachment 2: Amended Charter outline and Proposed Amended Charter

Attachment 3: Proposed Added Charter Revisions as submitted by Mr. Quintanilla

Attachment 4: Agenda